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PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS

**BARRINGTON MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO
FEDERAL GUN CHARGES**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Resident Agent in Charge Kraig Hankins, and Barrington Police Chief Richard Conway today announced that John Michael Gubellini, DOB: 02/09/20, of Barrington, New Hampshire, pleaded guilty today in U.S. District Court to an information charging him with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The information alleged that Gubellini, who had been convicted in U.S. District Court in 1990 of possessing an unregistered machine gun, was in illegal possession of a revolver in October 2001 in Barrington, N.H.

Gubellini will be sentenced by Judge Stephen McAcliffe on January 20, 2004. Gubellini faces a maximum sentence of ten years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

In commenting on the plea, U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated: "Keeping guns out of the hands of convicted felons is what Project Safe Neighborhoods is all about. This case is a good example of how we are achieving that goal."

Project Safe Neighborhoods is a federal program to reduce gun violence in New Hampshire by aggressive investigation and prosecution of firearm offenders, education of the public, and training of law enforcement officers about firearms law.

The case was the result of an investigation by the Barrington, New Hampshire Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Clyde Garrigan, the Project Safe Neighborhoods Coordinator for the District of New Hampshire.